

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Todd M. Hess et al.

Assignee:

ABB Inc.

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Title:

METHOD FOR PROVIDING ROBUSTNESS TO THE

SOLUTION OF THE CUBIC EQUATION OF STATE

Examiner:

Edward Raymond

Docket No.: E20020410

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Petition Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Notice of Allowability dated November 28, 2006..

- Replacement Sheet for the drawings are enclosed herewith; and
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Petition, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

Signature of Person Mailing Paper

May 1, 2007

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Date

Name

RESPONSE

In the Notice of Allowability, the Examiner objected to the drawings because the thickness of the lines and characters were not consistent. In response, Applicant is enclosing herewith four Replacement Sheets for the drawings, wherein the thickness of the lines and characters are consistent. It should be noted that in order to improve clarity, Applicant has separated Figs. 2 and 3 and is now providing these figures on separate sheets.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 050877.

Respectfully submitted,

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